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(Case No. 98,541-C)

In the Application of:)
Kimberly Christensen)
Serial No.: 09/721,096)
Filing Date: November 22, 2000)
For: Removal Of Embedding Media)
From Biological Samples and Cell Conditioning)
on Automated Staining Instruments)

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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is a Reply to the October 15, 2002 Official Action for the above-captioned U.S. patent application. Please amend the claims of the above-captioned U.S. patent application as set forth on the following pages: